



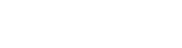
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	Application No.	Applicant(s)	$\sim$				
Advisory Action	09/808,357	ICHIKI ET AL.					
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The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address							
THE REPLY FILED 22 March 2004 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.							
PERIOD FOR RE	PLY [check either a) or b)]						
The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.  The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.  ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).							
Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).							
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.							
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:							
(a) X they raise new issues that would require furth	er consideration and/or search	(see NOTE below);					
(b) they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);							
(c) ☑ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or							
(d) 🛛 they present additional claims without cancel	ing a corresponding number of	finally rejected clair	ms.				
NOTE: See Continuation Sheet.							
3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	ction(s):						
<ol> <li>Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s).</li> </ol>	be allowable if submitted in a s	separate, timely file	d amendment				
5.☐ The a)☐ affidavit, b)☐ exhibit, or c)☐ request fo application in condition for allowance because:		sidered but does NO	OT place the				
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered berraised by the Examiner in the final rejection.	cause it is not directed SOLELY	to issues which we	ere newly				
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment explanation of how the new or amended claims we			and an				
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:							
Claim(s) allowed: None.							
Claim(s) objected to: <u>None</u> .							
Claim(s) rejected: 1-11.							
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: None.							
8. The drawing correction filed on 22 March 2004 is a	a)□ approved or b)⊠ disapp	roved by the Exami	iner.				
9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Stateme		•	,				
10. Other:			/				
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Continuation of 2. NQTE: The new issues being: The removal of requirements that the information be 'topical' and the index items be categories or 'groups, thus broadening the scope of the claims to any indexed information; and the addition of 'the mediating apparatus deciding which received individual indexes to send to which retrieval engines...'.